THE CONTINENTAL PIONEER COMMITTEE FOR ASIA

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COMMITTEE REPORT FOR DECRMBER 2005

1. FINANCE

1.1. Funds Approved by International Teaching Centre

1.1.1. MONGOLIA-Counsellor Uranisakhan Battar provided information on the deputisation assistance required by home front pioneers in Mongolia. The financial assistance for one year for 12 individuals and 3 families is US$ 19,769. The National Assembly of Mongolia has received US$ 7,504 as contribution to the deputization fund and is requesting the balance of US$ 12,265 from the International Deputization Fund. The break down of the **funds is as follows:**

	Names of the pioneers	**From which community**	**Where to pioneer**	**Transportation**	**Renting apartment**	**Administration**	**Living assistant**	**Ince**
1	B.Otgon	Ulaanbaatar	Ysunbulag	92	450	200	900	17
2	Narangerel	Murun	Ysonbulag	183			900	17
3	N.Adiya	Ulaanbaatar	Ulaistai	58	250	200	900	17
4	Binderya	Murun	Ulaistai	92			300	57
5	O.Pagva	Ulaanbaatar	Sainshand	7		200	900	17
6	Delger	Ulaanbaatar	Undurkhaan	33		200	900	17
7	D.Bolormaa	Ulaanbaatar	Undurkhaan	33			900	17
8	Bunkhzul	Ulaanbaatar	Baganuur	7		200	900	17
9	Jamsran's family	Ulaanbaatar	Binder	33	100	200	1350	25
10	Munkhbaatar's family	Murun	Bayanzurkh	67	50	200	900	17
11	Batzaya	Murun	Darkhan	42		200	900	17
12	Otgonbaatar's family	Murun	Khovd	486		200	1350	25
13	G.Sarantuya	Murun	Tosontsengel	92	100		900	17
14	T.Tumurbaatar	Sainshand	Tosontsengel	57		200	900	17
15	D.Erdenetungalag	Dornod	Darkhan	8			150	29
				1290	**950**	**2000**	**13050**	**24**
		Budget	**19769**					
		Contribution	**7504**					
		Int'l Dept. Fund	**12265**					

ITC in an email dated Dec 25th approved the financial assistance in the sum of US$12,265, that had in principle been approved by their email dated 25 October- (OITC4926).

Informed counsellor Baatar accordingly. Awaiting instructions regarding fund transfer.

1.2. Funds Approved by Continental Pioneer Committee

Nil

1.3. Request for Funds

Nil.

2. COUNTRIES WITH URGENT PIONEER NEEDS

Nil.

3. INDIVIDUALS SEEKING ADVICE

3.1. Ms. Wong Swee Cheng in an email dated Dec 12th informed us that Mr. Ruhi Ardjomandi, will be soon leaving the World Centre and would like to know if there are pioneering posts in Asia where he could obtain employment other than teaching English. He has a Master's degree in Economics, speaks with proficiency Surinamese, Dutch, Russian and English.

In an email dated Dec 14th informed that while we may not be of much assistance in finding him an employment, yet we could advise him where his services as a Baha'i can best be utilised. Requested that Mr. Ardjomandi write directly to CPC Asia and advise whether he is looking into short or long term pioneering.

Ms. Wong Swee Cheng in an email dated Dec 18th informed that she has forwarded to Mr. Ruhi our response, and hopes he will contact us.

3.2. Copy of email from the Secretary of NSA Armenia to Mr. Arlen J. Craig, who will visit Armenia for 2 weeks in June 2006, and hopes to spend 2-3 evenings for meeting the believers. He will be accompanied with 3 non-Baha'i relatives, one of whom is an Armenian from Iran.

The secretary of NSA Armenia in an email dated Dec 25th offered his service and that of his wife. He however informed him that it would not be effective for him to meet with the Baha'i community of Armenia. Instead he could teach the Faith to all those whom he will come in contact with and direct them to the 3 core activities ongoing in Armenia.

4. PIONEERS SETTLED

4.1. Copy of email dated Dec 2nd from NSA Fiji to NSA India informing us that Ms. Mohini had arrived safely in Suva.

5. JOBS AVAILABLE

Nil.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1. Universal House of Justice

6.1.1. Copies of the messages from the Universal House of Justice:

a. Dated 27 December 2005 to the Conference of the Continental Boards of Counsellors, which delineates the features of the next Five Year Plan.

b. Dated 28 December 2005 to the National Spiritual Assemblies of the World providing comments regarding the curriculum of the training institute.

c. The Baha'is of the World dated 31 Dec 2005, encouraging all believers and institutions to study carefully the message of Dec 27th in preparation for consultations that will soon take place with counsellors.

6.2. International Teaching Centre

6.2.1. Email dated Dec 12th from ITC to CPC Asia acknowledging the receipt of our second quarterly financial report for the period covering 1 August to 31 October 2005.

Since our float account currently stands at S$30,114.98 (Singapore dollars, equivalent to approximately US$17,807.92), US$2,192.08 will be forwarded to us in their next quarterly transfer required to replenish it to US$20,000- (OITC4914).

6.3. Counsellors

Correspondence took place regarding deputisation applications.

6.4. National Spiritual Assemblies

Nil.

6.5. National Pioneer Committees/Pioneer Desk

6.5.1. Copy of email dated Dec 23rd from Vaughan Smith, Pioneer Desk Thailand welcoming Mr. Benjamin Blum who wishes to serve in Thailand for a year. It will be useful if he attended a Youth Animator's Course and could teach English in bi-lingual schools using the Junior Youth books.

6.6. Baha'i Committee for China

Nil.

6.7. Pioneering Committees of Canada and USA

6.7.1. <u>International Pioneer Committee of Canada/Youth Services International (IPCC/YSI)</u>

6.7.1.1. Copy of email dated Dec 15th from IPCC to NSA Canada giving their monthly report for October 2005. They have now achieved 658 of

the goal of 800 pioneers or 82% of the number needed for the Five Year Plan

6.7.2. US Office of Pioneering (USOP)

6.7.2.1. Copy of email dated Dec 14th from USOP to the NSAs of Brazil, Czech Republic, Macau introducing 24-year-old Mr. Daniel Pschaida who is considering service as a pioneer in one of these countries.

6.7.2.2. Copy of email dated Dec 22nd from USOP to the NSA of Japan, Thailand and Sicily introducing 18 year old Mr. Benjamin Blum, who wishes to render a year of service in one of these countries beginning July 2006.

6.7.2.3. Email dated Dec 24th from USOP to NSA Armenia introducing Mr. Arlen Craig who plans to visit Armenia for two weeks in June 2006. His non-Baha'i wife, Mrs. Eleanor Sue Craig, will accompany him. He hopes to meet the community over two or three evenings.

7. ADMINISTRATION

7.1. Reports

7.1.1. The Committee report for November 2005 has been dispatched to the usual recipients.

Cc. The Continental Board of Counsellors in Asia